SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC SAFETY LEGISLATION FOR GTSAC 12-16-05

MSP is the Lead Agency unless otherwise noted

Drunk Driving Legislation

HB 4286 AGGRAVATED OWI

(Rep. Jones) Increases penalties for operating a vehicle with excessive blood alcohol content (0.20). *In House Judiciary Committee, Testimony Taken – not voted upon*

HB 4367 DRUNKEN DRIVING TEACHER

(Rep. Wenke) Prohibits a legally drunk adult from accompany a driver fulfilling graduated licensing requirements.

In House Transportation Committee, Testimony Taken – not voted upon

HB 4614 OFF-ROAD VEHICLES, ALCOHOL

(Rep. Newell) Adopts OWI standards as they apply to an off-road vehicle.

Passed House, in Senate Judiciary Committee

HB 4615 ALCOHOL, WATERCRAFT OPERATION

(Rep. Schuitmaker) Adopts OWI standards as they apply to the operation of a watercraft.

Passed House, in Senate Judiciary Committee

HB 4616 ALCOHOL, SNOWMOBILE OPERATION

(Rep. Condino) Adopts OWI standards as they apply to the operation of a snowmobile.

Passed House, in Senate Judiciary Committee

HB 4630 PRELIMINARY BREATH TESTS

(Rep. David Law) Allows preliminary breath tests as admissible evidence in certain criminal prosecutions.

In House Judiciary Committee

HB 4631 DRUNKEN DRIVING PENALTIES

(Rep. David Law) Allows the use of certain out-of-state ordinance violations to enhance drunk driving penalties.

In House Judiciary Committee

HB 5283 FATAL CRASH PENALTIES

(Rep. Wenke) Increases penalties for alcohol- and drug-related driving violations causing death if person has a prior alcohol conviction.

In House Judiciary Committee

SB 846 AGGRAVATED OWI

(Sen. Switalski) Increases penalties for driving with a blood alcohol level of .25 or higher.

In Senate Judiciary Committee

Speed Limits

HB 4032 CITY COUNCIL SPEED RESTRICTIONS

MDOT Lead

(Rep. Whitmer) Requires input by city councils in setting speed limits on state trunk-lines located within city limits.

In House Transportation Committee

HB 4802 CONDO DEVELOPMENT SPEED LIMIT

(Rep. Anderson) Allows the association of co-owners to establish the speed limit in condominium developments under certain circumstances

In House Transportation Committee

HB 5104 TRUCK FREEWAY SPEED LIMIT

Gov's Office Lead

(Rep. Caswell) Increases truck speed limit to 60 miles per hour from 55 on limited access highways.

Passed House, In Senate Judiciary

HB 5240 SPEED LIMITS

(Rep. Palmer) Creates multiple levels of prima facie speed limits.

In House Transportation Committee

HB 5241 BUS SPEED LIMIT

(Rep. Palmer) Changes references in Pupil Transportation Act to reflect changes made in HB 5240. *In House Transportation Committee*

HB 5393 MOVING VIOLATIONS

(Rep. Miller) Increases fines for moving violations in residential areas.

In House Transportation Committee

Restraints / Passenger Safety

HB 4152 CHILD CAR RESTRAINTS

DCH Lead

(Rep. Kolb) Includes booster seats in violations in which fines may be waived (if booster seat is purchased

In House Transportation Committee

HB 4153 CHILD BOOSTER SEATS

DCH Lead

(Rep. Kolb) Requires child safety seats for children 80 pounds or less, younger than 9 years old, and under 4'9" tall.

In House Transportation Committee

SB 183 CHILD BOOSTER SEATS

(Sen. McManus) Requires use of child safety restraint system or booster seats for children under 8 years of age and 4'9" in height.

In Senate Transportation Committee

SB 262 CHILD CAR RESTRAINTS

(Sen. George) Allows a waiver of fines for certain child booster seat violations under certain circumstances.

In Senate Transportation Committee

SB 297 MOTORCYCLE HELMET EXCEPTIONS

(Sen. Cropsey) Provides exceptions to requirement of wearing crash helmets under certain circumstances.

Passed Senate, referred to House Transportation Committee

HB 5038 MOTORCYCLE HELMET WARNING

(Rep. Drolet) Requires a warning label to be placed on motorcycle helmets and requires the MSP to approve individual helmets models.

In House Transportation Committee

HB 5051 HELMETLESS ENDORSEMENT

(Rep. Farrah) Allows motorcycles to obtain a no-helmet endorsement on their operator license if they meet the criteria for driving without a helmet and pay an annual fee of \$25.

In House Transportation Committee

SB 313 SEAT BELT EXEMPTIONS

(Sen. Birkholz) Removes certain exemptions regarding the use of seat belts under the age of 16, if all belts are in use by others.

In Senate Transportation Committee

SB 314 CHILD SAFETY SEAT REGULATIONS

(Sen. Hammerstrom) Requires a child safety restraint seat to be in the rear seat if vehicle has rear seat and removes the nursing child exemption.

In Senate Transportation Committee

SB 491 VEHICLE CHILD RESTRAINT

(Sen. Kuipers) Increases the penalties to \$100 for failure to properly restrain a child less than 16 years of age in a vehicle for second and subsequent violations and dedicates funds to the "Child Safety Education Fund".

In Senate Transportation Committee

HB 4787 CHILD CAR SEAT GRANT

(Rep. Kolb) Provides for funding for a child car seat safety grant program, the "Child Safety Education Fund".

In House Transportation Committee

Construction Zone

HB 4028 NO PASSING NEAR CONSTRUCTION ZONE

(Rep. Vagnozzi) Establishes a "no passing in merge zone" area for regulation of traffic merging at construction sites on freeways.

In House Transportation Committee

Driver License

HB 4338 DRIVER LICENSE

Dep. of Education Lead

(Rep. Clack) Clarifies certain school attendance requirements to maintain driver license.

In House Education Committee

HB 4756 TEEN DRIVER LIMITS

(Rep. Gaffney) Prohibits first-year drivers from having more than one passenger in vehicle, other than family members.

In House Transportation Committee

Cell Phone

HB 5053 DRIVER CELL PHONE USE

(Rep. Stewart) Prohibits use of handheld cellular devices while driving.

In House Transportation Committee

SB 737 CELL PHONES

(Sen. Thomas) Prohibits use of cell phone while driving in left lane.

In Senate Transportation Committee

HB 5133 JUVENILE DRIVER CELL PHONE USE

(Rep. David Law) Prohibits use of cell phones while driving by those under the age of 18.

Passed House, in Senate Technology and Energy Committee

SB 814 DRIVER CELL PHONE USE

(Sen. Patterson) Adds one point to driver license record and \$25 to fine when it is determined that use of cellular telephone contributed to cause of a traffic violation and prohibits GDL drivers from using handheld cellular telephones while operating a motor vehicle.

In Senate Technology and Energy Committee

HB 5483 TEEN CELL PHONE

(Rep. Pearce) Prohibits novice drivers from using handheld cellular telephones while operating a motor vehicle.

In House Judiciary

Event Recorder

SB 902 EVENT RECORD

(Sen. Stamas) Regulates the use of information obtained from motor vehicle data event record. *In Senate Transportation Committee*

SB 903 EVENT DATA

(Sen. Stamas) Prohibits requiring installation of or data received from motor vehicle event data recorder to establish eligibility for or premiums for automobile insurance.

In Senate Transportation Committee

SB 904 DATA EVENT

(Sen. Kuipers) Prohibits the use of information obtained from motor vehicle data event recorder for purposes of establishing criminal liability under certain circumstances. *In Senate Transportation Committee*

SB 905 EVENT DATA

(Sen. Gilbert) Prohibits use of information for evidence obtained from motor vehicle event data recorder in civil action.

In Senate Transportation Committee

Miscellaneous

SB 161 SNOWMOBILE OPERATION

MDOT Lead

(Sen. Allen) Allows the operation of snowmobiles on rights-of-way of limited access highways. Passed Senate and House, awaiting presentation to Governor

HB 4163 ELUDING A POLICE OFFICER

(Rep. Pastor) Establishes a mandatory minimum 2-year sentence for fleeing or eluding a police officer. *In House Judiciary Committee*

SB 345 UNATTENDED VEHICLE

(Sen. Van Woerkom) Prohibits and provides remedies for leaving a vehicle unattended in parking lot with the engine running.

In Senate Transportation Committee

HB 4503 FATIGUED DRIVING

(Rep. Wenke) Provides criminal penalties for driving while fatigued causing death.

In House Judiciary Committee

HB 4806 VEHICLE CODE VIOLATIONS

(Rep. Stakoe) Allows enforcement of certain Michigan vehicle code violations on publicly accessible private roads.

In House Judiciary Committee

HB 4807 TRAFFIC LAWS ON PRIVATE ROADS

(Rep. Stakoe) Omits the need for owner consent and contract to confer for authority of local law enforcement to enforce traffic laws on certain private roads.

In House Transportation Committee

SB 738 ROAD RAGE

(Sen. Thomas) Defines and prohibits aggressive driving.

In Senate Transportation Committee

SB 786 VEHICLE WINDOWS

(Sen. Cherry) Increases penalties for window applications (window tint) on a vehicle front windshield and side windows and requires the removal of window tint prior to the court accepting payment of fine and cost

In Senate Transportation Committee

SB 788 EQUIPMENT LIGHTING

Dept. of Agriculture Lead

(Sen. Jelinek) Changes lighting requirement for implements of husbandry.

Passed Senate, In House Agriculture Committee

HB 5260 TRAFFIC LIGHT

MDOT Lead

(Rep. Murphy) Provides for traffic signal at intersection of Fairview and Saginaw. *In House Transportation Committee*

HB 5494 PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ACT

Dept. of Ed. Lead

(Rep. Pavlov) Makes numerous revisions to the pupil transportation act. *In House Transportation Committee*

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